

AARP Blacksburg Chapter 2613  
Board Minutes  
November 3, 2015

In Attendance: Terry Wildman, Don Creamer, Sally Anna Stapleton, Val Coluni, Ben Crawford, Thais Beams, Nola Elliott, Pat Hyer, Carolyn Rude, Violet Drake, Tom Alston, Angela Little and Joy Herbert.

Meeting Called to order at 10:04am

Agenda was approved

Minutes from October 2015 were approved with corrections, Don Creamer moved to approve, Carolyn Rude seconded.

Announcements added: Va. Tech Health Fair and New AARP State Director

Officer Reports:

President: Terry Wildman

- Terry stated that our Chapter had been invited to have a presence at the VA. Tech Health Fir on January 13, 2016, the board agreed; Terry will send an acceptance.
- Terry Wildman, Don Creamer and Ben Crawford will be meeting with the new AARP State Director, Jim Dui on November 5, 2015.

Vice President: Don Creamer

- The Goals, Activities and Accomplishments for all Committees will need to be validated by committee leaders. Don handed out the committee sheets.
- Don stated that the committee leaders should provide information to Terry for the Highlights section of our Holiday lunch agenda.

Treasurer: Pat Ballard – no report

Secretary: Sally Anna Stapleton – no report

Chapter Business:

ON Going:

*Health Fair Planning:* Angela Little reported on the Health Fair to be held at Christiansburg Rec Center on September 14, 2016.

- Need more people on the Health Fair Committee
- Need someone to handle publicity, suggested Wendy Baldwin and/or Don Rude, Angela will call them.
- Angela Little and Jennie Reilly met with Brian Jacks concerning State support for the Health Fair, Brian said that since there is a new State Director, he will speak to him and let them know by the first of the year as to what support we can expect from the State Office.

- Goals for Health Fair were discussed, all agreed that we should continue with the ‘Life Reimagined’ theme. Angela noted all other ideas to review with committee.
- A discussion was held about course or sessions ideas for additional Health Fair presentations. Angela and Jennie will contact suggested names of course leaders.

*Membership:*

- Tom Alston presented membership report – 6 new people have been added. We have a total of 299 members. Reminder to everyone to get their dues in for 2016.

*Completing the 2015 year:*

- The State Office will require an annual report on Committee activities and volunteer hours; please provide this information to Don by month end.
- Terry Wildman will be taking over the Program Committee for 2016
- November Chapter meeting will highlight Blacksburg Mayor and other city officials

NEW Business:

*2016 Chapter Programs:*

- Terry Wildman asked for ideas for the 2016 Chapter Programs. Many ideas were discussed, It was stated that the ‘Life Reimagined’ theme should play a part in deciding on programs. Terry took several names to contact for programs to start off the 2016 year.

*Holiday luncheon:*

- The 2015 awards have been named. They will go to *Chapter Service* will be presented to Pat Hyer and Don Creamer for their incredible work on the Conference. The *Community Spirit Award* will be presented to Pat Ballard for her continued work as Treasurer, her work with Tax Aid and her continued work within the community; ie: Christmas Store. Ben Crawford moved to approve, Violet Drake seconded.
- Chapter Donation for 2015 were presented: There was a discussion around the list that was presented. After much discussion, there was a motion made by Val Coluni and seconded by Nola Elliott to remove one donation and put additional \$ to another. The final Donation list:
  - Community Foundation of NRV \$400
  - Town of Blacksburg for Blacksburg Community/Senior Center \$400
  - St Michael Lutheran Church for Micah’s Soup for Seniors \$300
  - NRV Agency On Aging / Homemakers Service Program \$300.
  - RSVP / Supplies for Seniors \$300
  - MCEAP \$300
  - VT Center for Gerontology \$300
  - NRC Community Health Center \$300
- Ben Crawford also stated that a total of \$500 was presented to Warm Hearth Foundation by individual Chapter members.
- Each individual that has named a donation is responsible for extending the invitation to that Community Leader to attend the Chapter Holiday Lunch on December 1, 2015.

Liaison Reports:

*AARP Virginia:* Ben Crawford announced the new State Director, Jim Dui. Ben also announced the State personal that will be attending the Holiday Luncheon.

Ben stated the AARP dinner program held on October 13, 2015 at Golden Corral went very well. Attended by about 20 people, Brian Jacks attended and spoke.

Ben also stated that Virgil Cook will be receiving an award at the November 12/13 Volunteer Assembly and Awards Banquet.

*TOB Senior Center:* Joy Herbert – the new ‘About Town Catalog’ will be out by month end.

*VTRA:* N/A

*Driver Safety:* N/A

Committee Reports:

*Awards* – Already reported, Currently working on Leading Lights Award for 2016.

*Community Service* – No report

*Caring* – Violet Drake spoke to the cards she had sent out to members over the past month.

*LLI Partnership( Conference)* – No report

*Finance* – No Report

*Health* – Already reported

*History* – Purchased new scrapbook for Holiday Lunch display

*Hospitality* – Thais Beams and Nola Elliott had final question concerning Holiday Luncheon.

John Weitz of St. Michaels will give Holiday Lunch prayer.

*Legislative* – Val Coluni reported on the current legislative state activities; full report on the chapter web site. Val will be meeting the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of December with State.

*Membership* – Already reported

*Newsletter* – BAU

*Program* – November will consist of Blacksburg Mayor and Town officials

*Public Relations* – No report

*Website* – BAU

Meeting Adjourned at 11:59am

Minutes submitted November 6, 2015 by Sally Anna Stapleton